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In re application: Charles W. Krespach, et al. Group Art Unit: 3611  
Serial No.: 10/690,412 Examiner: Winner, Tony  
Filing Date: October 21, 2003 Docket No.: 18801-00308  
Title: Towing Assembly

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1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 page)
2. Transmittal for Request for Continued Examination (1 page)
3. Amendments for Request for Continued Examination (8 pages)
4. Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form (1 page)
5. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page)
6. Checks in the amount of \$810.00 (RCE); \$1,050.00 (Petition for Extension of Time)
7. Return Receipt Postcard



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**TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

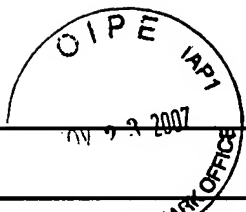
Enclosed please find a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 for the above-identified application. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$810.00 for the RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) and a check in the amount of \$1050.00 for a three-month extension of time fee. In the event additional fees are deemed to be due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-0265.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 21, 2007

  
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Enclosures



### Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/690,412 First Named Applicant: Charles W. Krespach  
Examiner: Tony H. Winner Art Unit: 3611 Status of Application: Final Rejection

**Tentative Participants:**

- (1) Tony Winner (2) Risto Pribisich  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

At examiner's convenience and  
**Proposed Date of Interview:** before next office action. **Proposed Time:** Same (AM/PM)

**Type of Interview Requested:**

- (1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

**Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ YES ☒ NO

**If yes, provide brief description:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>All claims</u>	<u>Tambornino/Templeman/Chene</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheet Attached					

**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Applicant would like to discuss the arguments provided in the Response to Final Office  
Action sent to the USPTO on November 21, 2007. Specifically, that it is improper to  
reject the claims as obvious over Tambornino as modified by Templeman and in view of Chene.

**An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on** \_\_\_\_\_.

**NOTE:** This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

**This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.**

Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature  
Risto Pribisich

Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative

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Registration Number, if applicable

Examiner/SPE Signature